

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT CITY COMPUTERS, CHAPEL ST. on 17/10/95

Present: T.Chance, B.Lawrence, R.Jarman, K.Hampson, S.de Vos, J.Watson

Apols: M.Christianson, H.Chance, P.Hawkins

1. Meeting commenced at 5.30pm - minutes of previous meeting read and accepted.
2. Matters arising
 - a) MC and JW attended the ASSA Symposium in Bloemfontein - most enjoyable and informative.
 - b) Key for audio-visual room at St Charles received - KH to guard it.
3. Planning

<u>November</u>	8/11/95 - Monthly meeting - Solar wind (KH to convene forum) - Telescope display (MC, TC, KH, GP)
<u>December</u>	2/12/95 - Xmas function - agreed to formal dinner at the Victoria Club (approx R35 per head) - replies by 27/11/95 to B.Lawrence - each member to bring gift (approx R5)
4. Membership
 - a) Resignations - Steve Tongue confirmed
 - b) Prospects - Mr R.Ginslove (ex Natal Centre)
 - c) After perusal, agreed on revamped application form prepared by BL - many thanks to her for hard work in preparing 6 alternatives.
5. Correspondence
 - a) SAAO Newsletter for October 1995
 - b) ASSA Council minutes 21/8/95
6. Treasurer's Report
 - a) Balance on hand R ±1600
 - b) JW has purchased urn - committee agreed to contribute R150 towards it.
 - c) JW requested permission to purchase multi-plug at approx R30 - agreed.
7. STARDUST
 - a) Thanks to TC for filling the breach in October, and for most informative article on Particles.
 - b) Main article for November issue ready.
8. Library
 - a) No response as yet regarding missing books - repeat appeal in Stardust.
 - b) 9 duplicate copies of S&T sold - there are more available from J.Barker's collection.
 - c) Copy of A.Gray's book on history of Astronomy in Natal to be kept at Natal Museum.
 - d) G.Walker's report & documentation re 1957 Bloemfontein Moonwatch handed over to Natal museum with 2 telescopes in 1988 - agreed to make 2 copies, one for our Library and one to go to R.Hurly in Capetown.
 - e) RJ to make copy of 'SPACE' video on loan from BL.

9. P.R.O.

- a) APPOLLO 13 film - opening on 20/10/95 - several committee members to attend.
 - TC and BL to mount display at Natal Museum and give a public lecture on 2/11/95
 - TC preparing a suitable press release.
- b) BL has written to Natal Witness regarding the plans for an observatory.

10. Instruments & Observatory.

- a) Sub-committee met on 9/10/95 - agreed on design and siting of building
- b) R.Clifford will draw up plans for submission to Pmb City Council

11. Education

- a) Nothing further from D.Humphry
- b) BL to give talk to Settlers Park pre-primary.

12. General

- a) Invitation to join with Natal Centre at Amanzimtoti Bird Park for a picnic on 29/10/95.

DATE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING - TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 1995